Message

From: Sierra-Lopez, Omar [Sierra-Lopez.Omar@epa.gov]

Sent: 3/31/2020 5:47:28 PM

To: Robinson, Valois [Robinson. Valois@epa.gov]

Subject: Re: EPA R8: Underground Injection Control Program for Dewey-Burdock Draft Permits - Email from Alisha Bartling,

Environmental Director, Santee Sioux Tribe

Thanks.

Regards,

Omar Sierra-Lopez

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From: Robinson, Valois < Robinson. Valois@epa.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 11:46 AM

To: Sierra-Lopez, Omar <Sierra-Lopez.Omar@epa.gov>

Subject: FW: EPA R8: Underground Injection Control Program for Dewey-Burdock Draft Permits - Email from Alisha

Bartling, Environmental Director, Santee Sioux Tribe

See below for background info for your communication with Alisha Bartling, Environmental for Santee Sioux of NE



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From: Robinson, Valois

Sent: Monday, March 16, 2020 1:14 PM

To: Sierra-Lopez, Omar <Sierra-Lopez.Omar@epa.gov>

Subject: FW: EPA R8: Underground Injection Control Program for Dewey-Burdock Draft Permits - Email from Alisha

Bartling, Environmental Director, Santee Sioux Tribe

Hi Omar,

The email from Alisha Bartling, the Environmental Director of the Santee Sioux Tribe is at the bottom of this email.

She says: The Santee Sioux Nation would like to accept your invitation to consult. Please keep us informed on the steps going forward.

I'm not really sure what that means. Here is the history of our interaction with the Santee Sioux Tribe:

We had a meeting in Region 7 in October 2015 with Alisha Bartling and the ED from the Ponca Tribe of NE.

We had a web conference with Alisha in Feb 2016.

We had a consultation meeting with Chairman Trudell on Nov 21, 2019. I have attached the meeting notes so you can send them to Alisha.

Please send her an email: alisha.bartling@santeeoep.com

In noticed she cc'ed a bunch of people from Region 7 and Region 8, but I don't think you need to include them on the email.

Say:

Douglas Minter has asked you to contact her in response to the email she sent him on Thursday, February 27, 2020. [You can ask her to call you to discuss the steps going forward so you have a better understanding of what she has in mind, if that works for you.]

Let her know

Region 8 had a consultation meeting with Chairman Trudell on Nov 21, 2019. The notes from that meeting are attached for your review. We want to be sure we capture her comments and concerns, too, so we have a complete record for consultation with the Santee Sioux Tribe.

Chairman Trudell requested information on the EPA's analysis of impacts to the Ogallala Aquifer and the Tribal cultural survey that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission arranged at the Dewey-Burdock site. We are in the process of compiling that information and will send it out soon.

How does that sound? Please call me at [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)] If you want to talk about it first.

Thanks!

O/alois

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From: Minter, Douglas < Minter. Douglas@epa.gov>

Sent: Thursday, February 27, 2020 3:52 PM

To: Bahrman, Sarah <<u>Bahrman.Sarah@epa.gov</u>>; O'Connor, Darcy <<u>oconnor.darcy@epa.gov</u>>; Robinson, Valois <<u>Robinson.Valois@epa.gov</u>>

Subject: FW: EPA R8: Underground Injection Control Program for Dewey-Burdock Draft Permits - Consultation Invitation and Timeline

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From: alisha.bartling@santeeoep.com <alisha.bartling@santeeoep.com>

Sent: Thursday, February 27, 2020 3:13 PM

To: Minter, Douglas < Minter. Douglas@epa.gov >; rtrudell@santeedakota.org

Cc: pegasixx@yahoo.com; Varilek, Kimberly < Varilek.Kimberly@epa.gov>; Sierra-Lopez, Omar < Sierra-

Lopez.Omar@epa.gov>; Mindrup, Mary < Mindrup.Mary@epa.gov>; Bustos, Patrick < Bustos.Patrick@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: EPA R8: Underground Injection Control Program for Dewey-Burdock Draft Permits - Consultation Invitation

and Timeline

Douglas

Thank you for reaching out to us in regards to the Dewey-Burdock consultation. The Santee Sioux Nation would like to accept your invitation to consult. Please keep us informed on the steps going forward.

Thank you.

Alisha J. Bartling Santee Sioux Nation Environmental Director 52948 Hwy 12 Niobrara Ne. 68783

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From: Minter, Douglas < Minter. Douglas@epa.gov >

Sent: Monday, February 24, 2020 5:54 PM

To: rtrudell@santeedakota.org

Cc: <u>Alisha.bartling@santeeoep.com</u>; <u>pegasixx@yahoo.com</u>; Varilek, Kimberly <<u>Varilek.Kimberly@epa.gov</u>>; Sierra-Lopez, Omar <<u>Sierra-Lopez.Omar@epa.gov</u>>; Mindrup, Mary <<u>Mindrup.Mary@epa.gov</u>>; Bustos, Patrick

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Subject: EPA R8: Underground Injection Control Program for Dewey-Burdock Draft Permits - Consultation Invitation and Timeline

Greetings Chairman Trudell: I'm forwarding a digital copy of the letter the EPA Region 8 Water Division is mailing to you regarding the Santee Sioux Nation's interest in consulting on EPA Region 8's Dewey Burdock In-Situ Draft Permits reissued in 2019.

Given the Tribe's stated interest during a November 20, 2019 meeting with EPA in response to our July 8, 2019 invitation to consult, please let us know if you are still interested in scheduling consultation with EPA Region 8 by contacting our offices as soon as possible. In the letter enclosed, the Region asks for your response by March 6, 2020, in communicating the Tribe's interest to consult with the expectation that we would hold a consultation meeting with you by April 30, 2020 to inform our Final Permit decisions later this year.

Please let me know if you have any questions, or feel free to reach out to Darcy O'Connor at (303) 312-6392 or oconnor.darcy@epa.gov, or Kim Varilek at (303) 312-6264 or varilek.kimberly@epa.gov.

We look forward to hearing from you as soon as possible and preferably by March 6, 2020.

Sincerely,

Douglas Minter, MPH UIC Section Chief 1595 Wynkoop Street USEPA Region 8

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